## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the following section after the paragraph which ends on page 4, line 7 of the specification:

## BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figures 1 and 9 are rheometric curves that illustrate that compounds having the general formula (I) and formula (III) are vulcanization accelerators.

Figures 2, 3 and 8 are rheometric curves that illustrate the accelerators of compounds having the general formula (I).

In Figure 4, the FT-IR spectra of 1-morpholino-1-cyclohexene, manufactured by Aldrich, is reported.

In Figure 5, the FT-IR spectra of N-n-octene-( $\Delta^1$ )-yl-piperidine is reported (corresponding to compound No. 2 of the present invention, reported in the following in the examples).

Figure 6 is a rheometric curve that illustrates that compounds having general formula (III) are capable of acting as vulcanization accelerators.

Figure 7 is a GC/MC spectra of a compound of formula III.